



The Town Crier

A Newsletter from the Town of Warrenton



A Warrenton Tradition Turns 20



When the cool, crisp evenings of September come, it will be time to dress to the nines, come out into the streets of downtown Warrenton and trip the light fantastic till the wee hours.

An Evening Under the Stars is an annual fall ritual in Warrenton. There's dancing in the streets, great food and libations, and plenty of laughter with good

friends. This year's fall fandango is scheduled for Saturday, September 19 beginning at 8:00 PM. Now in its 20th year, An Evening Under the Stars is sponsored by the Partnership for Warrenton as a fundraiser. The Partnership uses the funds to support events such as the Father's Day Car Show, the children's 4th of July parade, and the nationally recognized GumDrop Square. It also goes toward many other things

that make Warrenton a great place to live, such as the historic lampposts throughout Old Town and the American flags on Main Street.

The 20th annual An Evening Under the Stars boasts tastings from many of the area's top restaurants and caterers. And the Iron Bridge Wine Company is selecting interesting wines for the wine and beer cash bar. Best of all, there's dancing in the streets with the Daryl Davis Band.

The Daryl Davis Band is a world-class five-piece rhythm and blues rock band that's well known around our area. Davis is a well-rounded artist; he's an accomplished singer, pianist, guitarist, composer and even author. He and his band will keep the tempo hot and the feet of every dancer hopping.

An Evening Under the Stars is a must-do event in Warrenton. It's one of the social highlights of the Town's rich community spirit.

Tickets are \$35 per person in advance and \$50 at the door. Many people reserve a table for eight (\$400) so they can hang out with their friends, business associates and neighbors. Tickets are available right now at the Partnership for Warrenton's website (www.partnershipforwarrenton.org.)

For more information about An Evening Under the Stars, call the Partnership at (540) 349-8606. ■

Wonderful Warrenton!

The Town of Warrenton is a most magical place during the Christmas holidays. If you're not already acquainted with the Town's holiday charm, plan to experience the splendor and the tradition of Christmas in Old Town Warrenton this year.

Stroll down Main Street each Friday night in December enjoying carolers, orchestras, choirs, merchant open houses, a live nativity, horse drawn hayrides, and food trolleys with hot cocoa and fresh roasted chestnuts.

The crown jewel of Christmas in Warrenton is the award winning GumDrop Square and Santa's Secret Shop.

Have yourself a merry little Christmas this year! Come and experience the holidays in Old Town fashion.

Festivities begin Friday, December 4 at 6:00

PM with the Illumination Walk from the Mosby Museum to GumDrop Square, the arrival of Santa, the lighting of Old Town and the opening of GumDrop Square (named a top 20 event in the Southeast).

The annual Christmas Parade will be Saturday, Dec 5 at 10:00 AM on Main Street. GumDrop Square and Santa's Secret Shop are open:

- Fridays, December 4, 11 & 18 from 6:00 – 9:00 PM
- Saturdays, December 5, 12 & 19 from 10:00 – 2:00 PM
- Sundays, December 5, 13 & 20 from 1:00 – 3:00 PM ■



This Fall at the WARF

Summer has come and gone at the Warrenton Aquatic and Recreation Facility. It was a busy season! Summer camps, aquatics programs and Teen Night were a hit, group fitness classes continued to bring in large numbers, and the facility was visited by thousands of day-pass patrons and families from all over the area.

The fall will bring cooler weather and the beginning of another school year, but it won't slow things down at the WARF! The facility will be keeping up the pace in the fall by offering a variety of classes and programs for all ages.

High School Prep

The WARF's High School Prep class (which started in late August) is designed specifically to prepare high school students for the upcoming high school swim team seasons. Participants work on strokes, endurance, mechanics, turns, times and more. The class will be held Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 PM and from 7:00 - 8:00 PM. Swimmers between the ages of 13 and 18 are welcome to register. Pick up an aquatics brochure at the WARF's front desk. It's not too late to get involved!

Learn To Swim Classes

The WARF's Learn to Swim classes and aquatics programs continue to grow with every season, and fall 2009 will be no exception! Enroll your children in one of the WARF's preschool, swimmer level or parent-and-child classes this fall. Classes are taught by certified Water Safety Instructors and are available for every age and ability level.



Learn to Swim classes at the WARF are not only for children. The WARF also offers adult Learn to Swim programs. Register now to reserve your spot. Hurry, classes fill up fast! Pick up an aquatics brochure at the WARF's front desk.



Lifeguard and WSI Certification Courses

Get Red Cross Lifeguard Certified this fall at the WARF. Two classes will be offered, one in October and another in December. Participants must be at least 15 years old by the last day of class.

Water Safety Instructor (WSI) classes also will be available. Certified WSIs are able to teach water safety courses, including water rescue, six levels of learn to swim classes, and parent and child aquatics. American Red Cross Instructors are in demand throughout the country and certification is recognized nationwide.

Pick up an aquatics brochure at the WARF's front desk on both Lifeguard and WSI certification courses.

Teen Yoga

Teen Yoga is the newest addition to the WARF's group fitness line-up, and is designed specifically for teens ages 13-18. Yoga is the coolest way to relax, de-stress, have fun and get in shape. The class will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 - 4:20 PM starting September 15th.

Teen Yoga will be FREE September 15-29. Starting October 1st, the class will be \$3 per person. ■

Thank You, Recyclers!

The Town of Warrenton would like to thank all residents for their dedicated participation in the "Blue Bag" recycling program, and for recycling newspapers and corrugated cardboard. Your support is greatly appreciated as we all try to provide the services that help keep our community clean and safe.

For those who do not recycle, please take a moment to look over the Town's programs below and join us! Any help is appreciated and every effort, whether large or small, does matter. Currently the Town collects and hauls approximately 7 to 10+ tons of cardboard, newspaper, glass, plastic and metals to the recycling centers every week. That tonnage is usable material that is kept out of the landfill, extending its useful life.

Change In Blue Bag Program!

The County Recycling Center has requested that Town residents start placing glass in a separate blue bag from the other comingled items. That means one bag for the plastics and metals and one bag for nothing but glass. This helps make it safer and more efficient for employees to handle the glass at the center.

If you don't have a reasonably full bag of glass every week, please hold on to it until you have at least a half-full bag. Try to make the number of bags you receive each year last as long as possible. The Town realizes this means a little more effort on your part, but it is appreciated by Town and County recycling staff, and in the long term is well worth it.

Specific Items To Recycle

Blue Bags

The blue bags provided by the Town are for glass bottles and jars, type 1 and 2 plastics, and steel and aluminum cans. No Styrofoam, aerosol cans, plastic grocery bags, cardboard or paper, please! Window glass, picture frame glass and mirrors must not go in the bags.

Remember, try to bundle your glass in a separate blue bag from your other comingled recyclables.

Cardboard

The Town recycles corrugated cardboard only. No cereal, cake mix or soda can boxes. When cardboard is set out it should be empty – no trash, packing material or papers in it.

Newspaper

Our newspaper recycling program is for newspapers, phone books and magazines. Papers should be bundled with string or placed in a paper bag; they need to be visible so the men can tell that it is paper for recycling.

Thanks again for participating in our recycling program. If you have questions or are considering recycling and would like more information please call the Public Works Facility at (540) 347-1858. ■

Holiday Refuse Schedule

Columbus Day – October 12

Monday, 10/12/09 – Holiday; no refuse collection

Tuesday, 10/13/09 – Double refuse collection (*both Monday and Tuesday's route*)

Wednesday, 10/14/09 – Regular recycling collection (*cardboard, newspaper and blue bags*)

Thursday, 10/15/09 – Regular refuse collection

Friday, 10/16/09 – Regular refuse collection

Veterans' Day – November 11

Monday, 11/9/09 – Regular refuse collection

Tuesday, 11/10/09 – Regular refuse collection

Wednesday, 11/11/09 – Holiday; no recycling collection

Thursday, 11/12/09 – Regular refuse collection

Friday, 11/13/09 – Regular refuse collection

Thanksgiving – November 26 and 27

Monday, 11/23/09 – Regular refuse collection

Tuesday, 11/24/09 – Regular refuse collection

Wednesday, 11/25/09 – Regular recycling collection (*cardboard, newspaper and blue bags*)

Thursday, 11/26/09 – Holiday; no refuse collection

Friday, 11/27/09 – Holiday; no refuse collection

NOTE: For your convenience, there will be a refuse truck available at the Public Works Facility (360 Falmouth Street) during the holidays. ■



Fall Leaf Collections

Fall is so named for a good reason. Soon you'll be cleaning up nature's refuse from your lawn... piles and piles of leaves. Fortunately, the Town's annual leaf collections make it easy to get rid of them!

The first leaf collection starts November 2, and the second one begins November 30. Both collections run for two weeks.

All property owners are requested to rake leaves to the street line by 8:00 AM on their first scheduled pick-up day. To prevent clogging, please don't rake leaves into ditch lines or gutters. Locate leaves so that vehicles are not blocking them, and don't put brush, limbs, rocks or other debris with the leaves.

To find out what days Town crews will be in your area, see the schedule below. If you have any questions about the leaf collection program, please call Public Works at (540) 347-1858.

First Leaf Collection Schedule

(See area map on Page 5 to find your neighborhood)

Area A	November 2 & 3
Area B	November 4 & 5
Area C	November 6
Area D	November 9 & 10
Area E	November 12 & 13



Visitor Center to Distribute Trash and Recycling Bags

Remember how much fun it was trying to find a parking space at the Public Works Facility in the fall, as you tried to pick up your trash/recycling bags for the year? Remember also how you missed the two weekends staff was available to give out the bags to those who couldn't make it during the week?

Well, those good times will be over come October when the Visitor Center (33 Calhoun Street) will take over the distribution of bags. With the center open 7 days a week (and ample parking, unless there's a meeting or class going on), the move should be a very positive experience, particularly if you have not been to the center before. Center staff will also be glad to show you around and let you know what's going on in the community.

So remember, come October when everyone is eligible for another supply of bags, bypass that old battleship grey Public Works Facility and head to the new Warrenton Visitor Center at 33 Calhoun Street. It's open every day from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Identification will be required when picking up your bags. ■

Fall Clean-Up Schedule

Fall Clean-Up Week for the Town of Warrenton is scheduled for October 19-23. Town trucks will provide extra collections in all residential areas to pick up trash, refuse and other items that can't be handled on the regular weekly schedule. All items should be placed on the street line by 8:00 AM of the day scheduled for your area. No return trips can be made.

All trash and refuse must be placed in proper containers. Tree trimmings and brush must be placed separately. Small clippings from bushes or shrubs should be bagged and placed with regular refuse. Town crews will not pick up tree trimmings and brush cut by tree companies or contractors; it is the responsibility of the company doing the work. All metal must be separated from wood and placed separately. Dirt, rocks, sod, old stumps and large logs will not be picked up.

To have an appliance picked up containing Freon (air conditioning units, humidifiers/dehumidifiers, refrigerators, freezers, etc.), you'll have to pay a \$10 fee. This is the amount the Fauquier County Landfill charges to drain the Freon. Call Public Works in advance and make arrangements to have Freon items picked up and the fee paid. If the fee is not paid in advance or if no arrangements have been made, the item will be left.

If you set a refrigerator or freezer out for collection, please remove the door. Not only is this a safety issue, but the landfill requires it.

The Town no longer picks up televisions, computer monitors, photocopy or fax machines, or microwave ovens. These items must be recycled at the landfill and there is a fee to drop them off. Some items can only be received on certain days of the month, so call the landfill first at (540) 347-6811.

Town crews no longer can take liquid paint during Clean-Up Week. This must also be recycled at the landfill. If you have paint cans that are either empty or dried up, remove the lid and place them out with your regular collection.

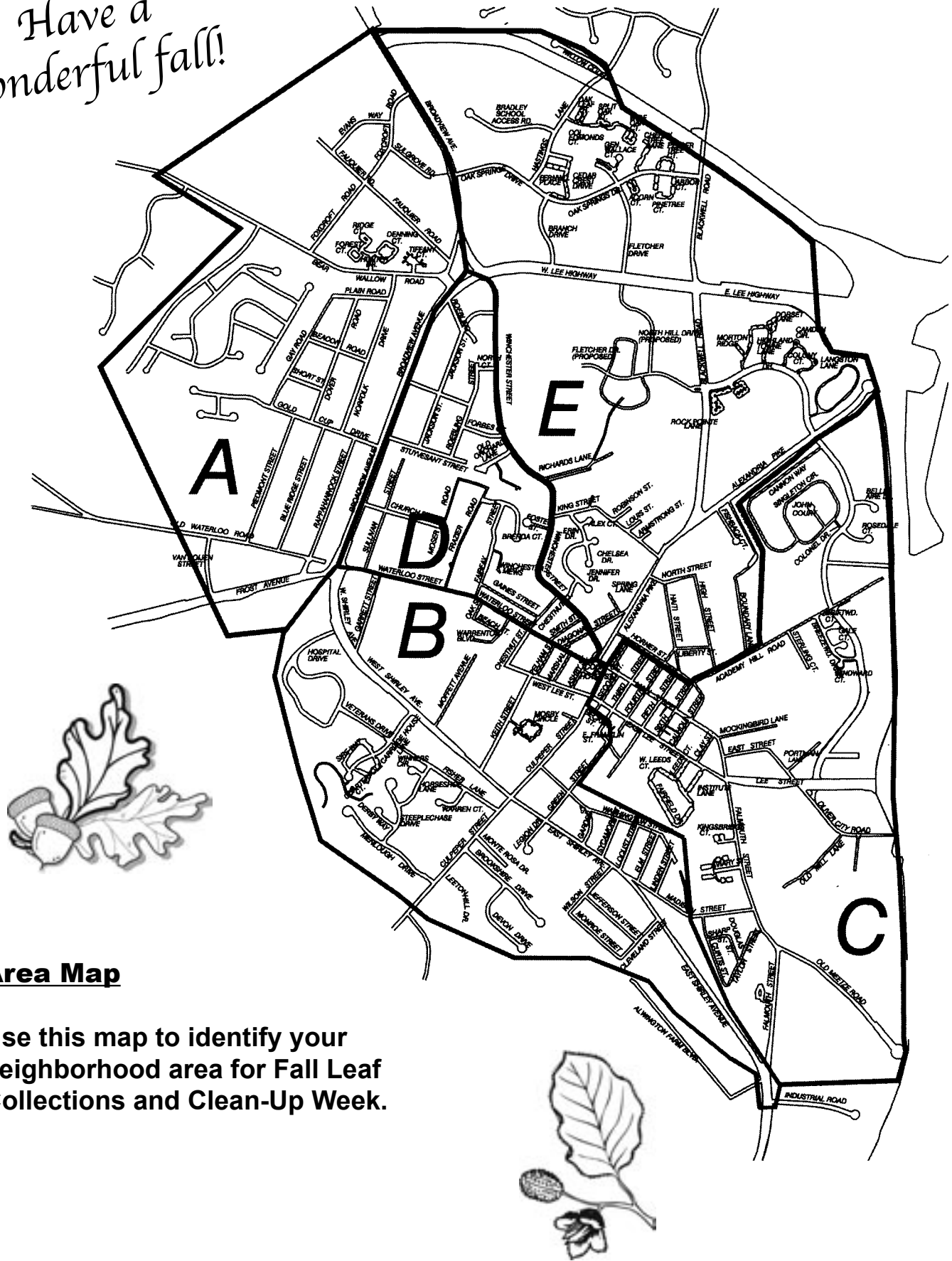
Clean-Up Schedule

(See area map on Page 5)

Area A	October 19
Area B	October 20
Area C	October 21
Area D	October 22
Area E	October 23 ■



*Have a
wonderful fall!*



Area Map

Use this map to identify your neighborhood area for Fall Leaf Collections and Clean-Up Week.



Town Office Hours and Telephone Numbers

Town Office Hours are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

The area code is 540 unless otherwise noted.

Finance Department.....	347-1102
Inspections	347-2405
Maintenance Shop.....	347-1858
Police Department	
Office of the Chief	347-1105
Police Station	347-1107
Non-emergency	347-1100
Emergency	911
Planning and Zoning	347-2405
Recreation Department (Aquatic Center)	349-2520
Recycling	347-1858
Sewage Plant.....	347-1104
Town Hall.....	347-1101
Town Manager	347-4505
Utilities.....	347-6574
Water Bills	347-2678
Water Plant.....	347-1103
TTD/TTY	1-800-828-1120

After Hours Water and Sewer Emergency
347-1100

Career Day at Public Works

One can never start too early in exploring the day-to-day realities of a specific career, especially in tough economic times.

Last May a group from Mrs. Ott's class at Cedar Lee Middle School spent an afternoon at the Town's Public Works facility on Falmouth Street. The group was exposed to the critical nature of the public works trades, and demonstrations of some of what the public servants do, including the use of zero turn lawn mowers, heavy equipment and trash trucks.

But the Warrenton Police Department crashed the party with their own little show – a cruiser and a lot of their cool law enforcement toys. The kids were thrilled. However, the request for a Taser demonstration was denied. ■



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